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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits in the above-identified national phase application, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

In the Claims:

Please add new claim 50 as follows:

a' --50. A method for treating renal diseases or
cancers using a method of any one of claims 31 to 34.--

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